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The following sections are being submitted for this Information Disclosure Statement:

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1. ☒ Preliminary Statements
2. ☒ Forms PTO/SB/08A and 08B (substitute for Form PTO-1449)
3. ☐ Statement as to Information Not Found in Patents or Publications
4. ☐ Identification of Prior Application in Which Listed Information Was Already Cited and for Which No Copies Are Submitted or Need Be Submitted
5. ☐ Cumulative Patents or Publications
6. ☒ Copies of Listed Information Items Accompanying This Statement
7. ☐ Concise Explanation of Non-English Language Listed Information Items
 - 7A. ☐ JEPO Search Report
 - 7B. ☐ English Language Version of EPO Search Report
8. ☐ Translation(s) of Non-English Language Documents
9. ☐ Concise Explanation of English Language Listed Information Items (Optional)
10. ☒ Identification of Person(s) Making This Information Disclosure Statement

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Sections _____, respectively, have been continued on ADDED PAGE(S).

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Section 1. Preliminary statements

Applicants submit herewith patents, publications or other information, of which they are aware that they believe may be material to the examination of this application, and in respect of which, there may be a duty to disclose.

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SECTION 2. FORMS PTO/SB/08A and 08B (formerly Form PTO-1449)**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: Zimmerling, et al. Attorney Docket: 1941/172
Serial No: 10/726,066 Art Group Unit: 3751
Date Filed: December 2, 2003 Examiner Name: Rost, Andrew, J.
Invention: Fluid Switch Controlled Trans-Cutaneously via a Magnetic Force

**LIST OF PATENTS AND PUBLICATIONS FOR
APPLICANT'S SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS					
Examiner Initials	Reference Number	Document Number	Issue Date	Inventor	Class/Subclass
	BC	US 6,440,102 B1	Aug. 27, 2002	Arenberg, et al.	604/96.01

Examiner Signature: _____

Date Considered: _____

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Documents

- ☐ New Application Transmittal
☐ Provisional Application Cover Sheet
☐ Description pages
☐ Claims pages
☐ Abstract
☐ Application Data Sheet
☐ Request and Certification under 35 USC 122(h)(2)(B)(i)
☐ Sheets of Drawings
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☐ Declaration and Power of Attorney
☐ executed ☐ unexecuted



- ☒ Amendment Transmittal (2 pgs)
☒ Amendment (Preliminary)
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☒ IDS Transmittal
☒ Petition for month extension
☒ IDS (6 pgs)
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